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A.U.C.C. Membership

At a membership meeting in Calgary, Alberta, on October 8th, the presidents of approximately 80 Canadian universities and colleges voted unanimously to accept Redeemer College as a full (ordinary) member of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC).

"AUCC membership means that the College is recognized by its peers as an equal with all university level institutions," says Justin Cooper. We may now exercise all the rights and privileges of a member institution. For example, the College now meets qualifications to apply for Ontario teacher's certification.

Redeemer College, a provisional member of the AUCC since 1985, was accepted on a strong recommendation in June by the visiting committee.

William Saywell, president of Simon Fraser University and a member of the visiting committee reported that "the College is small, but the quality of all the disciplines is excellent...I enthusiastically endorse their membership." Key areas Saywell identified as highly improved were: increased course offerings, improved lab facilities and a strengthened library.

College Expands Business Program

This winter, the Department of Business at Redeemer College will begin an experimental Business Internship program designed to give students practical work experience. The elective will be available to final year business students with a minimum of 10 business courses.

"It will be a way for students to gain 'hands on' experience related to their academic work," says professor of business, Dr. John Boersema, "and it will also be a way to assist the business community."

Student interns will be expected to contribute to the ongoing work of community businesses in entry level positions related to their training. Dr. Boersema is canvassing area businesses to determine their interest in the program. If enough

business opportunities are identified, the Internships may be expanded in the future.

Interns will be available beginning January, 1988, for a 13 week period. They will work from eight to twenty hours per week with or without pay. A final evaluation by employers will constitute a portion of each student's academic standing.

The Internship Program represents an expansion of the undergraduate degree in business offered by the College. It is modelled from similar, successful programs at Trinity Christian College, Chicago, and Calvin College, Grand Rapids.

Note:

If you know of employers interested in temporary help for a special project etc. please contact the Alumni Office.



Pipe Organ Arrives

One-of-a-kind in style, appearance and sound, a pipe organ in the style of one played by Johann Sebastian Bach has been constructed on the stage of the Redeemer College.

The instrument, valued at \$250,000 arrived from the Netherlands on Thursday, September 24th, and was assembled and tuned by Oct. 28th. It stands 22' in height on a moveable platform and has nearly 2,000 pipes ranging in height from 16 feet to 3 inches.

The organ was ordered in 1985 after substantial donations were made toward the construction of such an instrument.

The organ will have a decisive impact on performing arts in the area.

Boris Brott, conductor of the Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra, feels that with financial implications having made an organ installation at Hamilton Place still a dream, the Redeemer College Auditorium is bound now to become a centre in Southwestern Ontario for the performance of concerted music requiring an instrument of this type. Also, he says, "The existence of an authentic Baroque pipe organ in an auditorium suitable for concert presentation will mark a first for the Hamilton area."

The organ is the first North American installation by the Riel Organ Company of the Netherlands. The company also built a similar organ in 1985 in Vienna, Austria, for the Bach anniversary year.

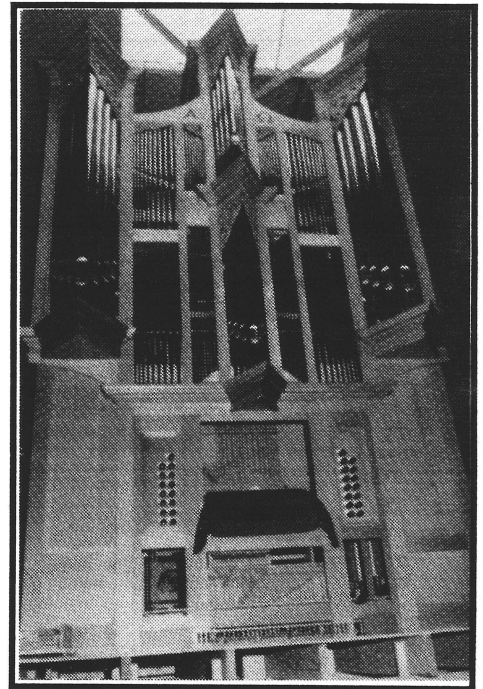
Classical Music Series at the College

At a press conference on October 15th, 1987, Redeemer College and Festival Music announced a new chamber orchestra series for the Ancaster area. The College, in conjunction with Mr. Boris Brott, principal conductor of the Hamilton Philharmonic and the Ontario Place Pops Orchestra, will present 'Stained Glass', a series of three concerts featuring visual effects to classical and contemporary music, at the Redeemer College concert Hall.

"I am thrilled to be able to present a series of basically baroque music in the excellent acoustic atmosphere of Ancaster's Redeemer College. Further, the College's new tracker action Dutch organ is among the finest instruments in North America and I am looking forward to making music with it," said Boris Brott.

'Festival of Light', the first concert which is to be held on December 2nd, will feature Christmas and Hannukah music performed by the Redeemer College Choir, and the Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra under the direction of Boris Brott. The second concert called 'Viva Vivaldi', with soloist Suzanne Shulman, will be held on January 20th.

A new work will be performed as part of "Amadeus", the third concert in the series, on the 23rd of March. Chris Teeuwssen, organist and Assistant Professor of Music, first heard the 28



The new tracker organ

minute Haydn organ concerto in Holland in 1985. Currently, the work is in print with Doblinger in Germany.

"We are delighted to be able to present a concert series of such fine calibre," said Henry DeBolster, president of the College. "I hope that this series will become a permanent tradition in the Ancaster area."

In the vein of the new tradition, after every concert, the entire audience will be invited to a reception. Refreshments and an opportunity for audience and musicians to exchange ideas about the music will be provided.

The Personal Touch

Over the past year, there have been several requests for a column in Images which is dedicated to bringing news of a personal nature.

Unfortunately, there was no personal news accompanying the requests. In order to make this effort a success, you will have to tell us when things happen. If you have been recently married or had an addition to your family, tell us! Things such as degrees earned or promotions accepted are great also. No piece of news is too small.

Family

The main purpose of our Alumni Association is to keep us in touch with one another - to nourish the Redeemer College family. See the form on the last page to tell us your story and help make this part of our service a success.

Membership:

- Helping Canadian young people gain a Christian understanding of their academic disciplines;
- Helping to integrate studies with Christian service in all areas of life;
- Giving leadership through voting privileges.

Say "yes" to Redeemer College when our members call on you.

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National Universities' Week

Redeemer College participated in National Universities' Week by staging a number of events during the week of October 26th. The Canada-wide celebration is geared to boost public awareness of Canada's Universities and their role in society.

On Monday, Oct. 26 the College hosted an Open House. This event allowed the Ancaster community to come visit the facilities. Activities in every area in the building gave visitors a feeling for how the College operates. Musical performances in the Auditorium, an art class and lab demonstrations were hosted to educate and entertain. Over 90 people attended.

On Thursday, the Sixth Annual Senior Citizens' Day was held with just under 300 guests. The seniors attended a chapel service, speeches, drama presentation and an explanation of the operation of our new organ.

One senior commented that he "looked forward to this day all year". The President's Office, host for the event, considered the mood extremely positive.

Other events during the week included a giant booksale of over 2,000 volumes by the Library and "Muffin Mania" a student talent night hosted by the Student Life Dept. The Francis Schaeffer Film Series also began Oct. 29th as part of the celebrations.



The Editor's Workbench

During the past few months, I've spent a lot of time thinking about the direction of our Alumni Association. In this issue of Images, I would like to tell you how things are coming together.

During the course of 1986, the foundation for our Association was laid. From student life records and information from parents, a computerized database was assembled. We decided that any student at Redeemer College for at least 2 semesters would be considered an Alumnus. We sent 2 issues of the newsletter, as well as a small summer update and in July, the summer campout was held at Turkey Point.

This past month, we realized it was time to set some direction for our group. We needed goals. Most of all, we needed some help in the planning process and in decision making. The Redeemer College Alumni Association must take its place as part of Redeemer College.

Advisory Council

The Community Relations Department at the College subscribes to services of the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). CASE is an international organization for university public relations, development and alumni officers.

CASE suggests that there should be a College appointed group who will set policy and guidelines for the new Association and plan its activities.

At Calvin College in Grand Rapids MI., Mike VanDenend, Alumni Director, told me that their Alumni Board is comprised of members nominated by the Association. All are Michigan residents within easy driving distance of Calvin. Final selection of these people is made by the College.

I have proposed to our Administrative Council at the College that we take a similar approach. An Advisory Council comprised of 9 members: 7 of whom are representatives of geographical divisions in

Ontario, as well as a student member. From this group, an executive of 3 should be elected by the Council. General meetings should be held 3 times during the academic year with the executive meeting twice. The Council president will be the Association's representative at Academic Council Meetings.

During this academic year I will undertake 2 projects on behalf of the Alumni Association: a directory of Alumni and a window sticker. You can expect both of these shortly after the new year.

Help

I need your comments, suggestions and ideas. Drop me a line if you can help. If you can serve on the Advisory Council, I welcome your application. Also, please send me your comments about the new artwork. You will notice the lamb and the pennant are taken from the Redeemer College crest.

There is much formative work that still needs to be done but that can wait until the council is formed. From now on, this page will be dedicated to Association news so that you can keep abreast of developments with the Alumni Association with what is happening in connection with it.

I look forward to your comments.

Willard



Keep in Touch!



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Years at Redeemer College 82/83____ 83/84____ 84/85____ 85/86____ 86/87____

Marital status Single____ Married____ spouse's name _____

Church Affiliation _____

Area of Study _____

Occupation _____

Please use the following section to let us know what is new in your life so that we can pass the information on to your classmates. (e.g. new career, promotion, marriage, birth etc.)
